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SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- ☒ Submitted herewith are (1) a Canadian Office Action for the Examiner's consideration and no references are cited therein, (2) an Australian Office Action for the Examiner's consideration where the reference cited therein were previously filed on October 21, 2005, (3) a Mexican Office Action for the Examiner's consideration where the references cited therein were previously filed on February 24, 2004 and October 21, 2005, and (4) a Chinese Office Action (with English Translation) for the Examiner's consideration where the references cited therein were previously filed on March 8, 2002 and October 21, 2005.
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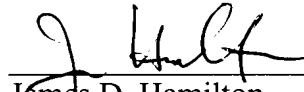
- ☐ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
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CERTIFICATION

- ☒ The attached (1) Canadian Office Action was issued on April 7, 2008 which is not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement, (2) Australian Office Action was issued on May 13, 2008 which is not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement, (3) Mexican Office Action was issued on April 18, 2008 which is not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement, and (4) Chinese Office Action was issued on May 30, 2008 which is not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- ☐ No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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